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Federal government authorized to supervise such training.

(b) *On-job course.* An on-job course is pursued toward a specified vocational objective, provided by a training establishment. The trainee learns, in the course of work performed under supervision, primarily by receiving formal instruction, observing practical demonstration of work tasks, and assisting in those tasks. Productive work should gradually increase with greater independence from formal instruction as the course progresses.

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§ 21.124 Combination course.

(a) *General.* A combination course is a course which combines training on the job with training in school. For the purpose of VA vocational rehabilitation, a course will be considered to be a combination course, if the student spends full-time on the job and one or more times a week also attends school on a part-time basis. A veteran may pursue the components of a combination course in the following manner:

- (1) Concurrent school and on-job training;
- (2) Primarily on-job with some related instruction in school;
- (3) In a school as a preparatory course to entering on-job training; or
- (4) First training on-job followed by the school portion.

(b) *Cooperative course.* A cooperative course is a special type of combination course which usually:

- (1) Has an objective which the student attains primarily through school instruction with the on-job portion being supplemental to the school course;
- (2) Is at the college or junior college level although some cooperative courses are offered at post-secondary schools which do not offer a college degree or at secondary schools;
- (3) Requires the student to devote at least one-half of the total training period to the school portion of the course; and
- (4) Includes relatively long periods each of training on the job and in

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school such as a full term in school followed by a full term on the job.

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§ 21.126 Farm cooperative course.

(a) *Definition.* An approvable farm cooperative course is a full-time course designated to restore employability by training a veteran to:

- (1) Operate a farm which he or she owns or leases; or
- (2) Manage a farm as the employee of another.

(b) *Reaching the goal of a farm cooperative course.* The farm cooperative course must enable a veteran to become proficient in the type of farming for which he or she is being provided rehabilitation services. The areas in which proficiency is to be established include:

- (1) Planning;
- (2) Producing;
- (3) Marketing;
- (4) Maintaining farm equipment;
- (5) Conserving farm resources;
- (6) Financing the farm;
- (7) Managing the farm; and
- (8) Keeping farm and home accounts.

(c) *Instruction, including organized group instruction.* Instruction in a farm cooperative course may be by a mixture of organized group (classroom) instruction and individual instruction or by individual instruction alone. A course which includes organized group instruction must meet the following criteria to be considered as full-time:

(1) The number of clock hours of instruction which should be provided yearly shall meet the requirements of § 21.310(a)(4) and § 21.4264 pertaining to full-time pursuit of a farm cooperative course:

(2) The individual instructor portion of a farm cooperative course shall include at least 100 hours of individual instruction per year.

(d) *Instruction given solely by an individual instructor.* (1) Instruction in a farm cooperative course may be given solely by an individual instructor if organized group instruction is:

- (i) Not available within reasonable commuting distance of the veteran's farm; or